
Introduction to Modern Astro-Plasma Physics

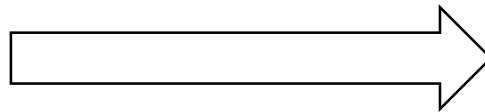
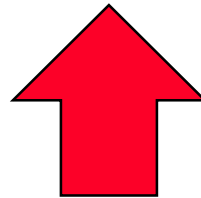
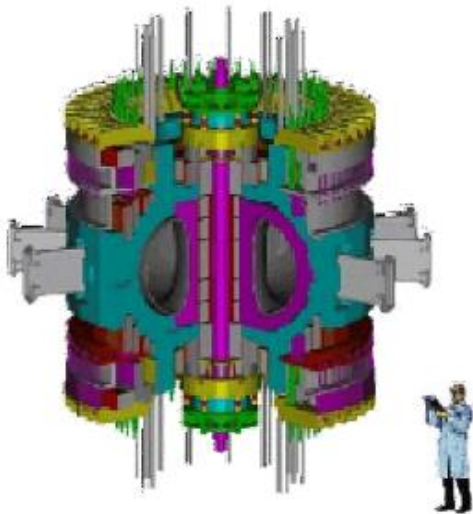
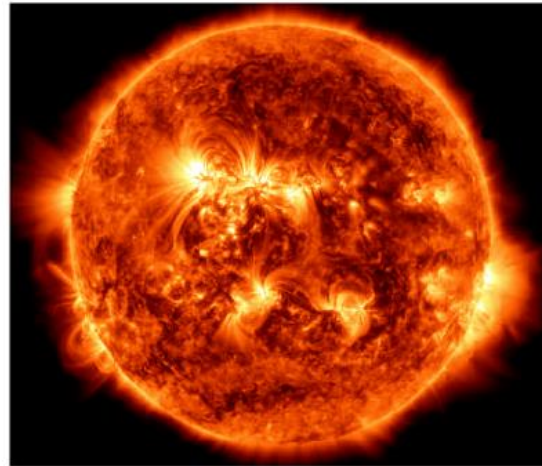
(a Groundbreaking Elective Course of Study)

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Bringing “Astrophysics” & “Plasma Physics” together for a better Understanding of our Universe



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[An extract from the EWRSD HHS Course of studies:](#)

Grade 12 - credits 2.5

Prerequisite: “B” or better in Physics Honors.

Corequisite: Calculus

- This is an elective course that does not count toward the state mandate 3 science courses.
- Plasma, the fourth state of matter, makes up more than 99% of the matter in the universe.
- Knowledge of the universe around us is acquired through the detection of the various types of radiation coming from the cosmos.
- **Astrophysicists** use a multitude of terrestrial telescopes and space satellite missions to survey the sky from a distance.
- **Plasma physicists**, instead, study laboratory plasmas to gain knowledge of the properties of this fourth state of matter right here on earth.

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- The course focuses in identifying the points of cross-overlapping between these two main branches of science providing a rationale on how this mutual synergy could lead to unexpected great future discoveries.
- As part of the laboratory experience, students will also have the opportunity (*using the tools developed at SSDC*) to remotely analyze data from the Gamma-ray AGILE Satellite Mission, an award winning Space Mission funded by the Italian Space Agency.

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Course Modular Structure allows for “Fast & AGILE” delivery

Vision and Major Goals:

- We kindly ask all of you here to contribute instructional material to build single modular units based on your specific area of expertise
- Assembled course material will be available to all **AGILE Team** members and contributors to provide opportunity for personal use, review, and update ... *building the AGILE legacy!*

Modular Units Must Contain:

- Lecture presentations
- Lab Activities (hands-on; virtual; cooperative learning)
- Problem solving & practice
- Review & homework and guidelines for further studies

and all this must be done @ pre-college level of understanding!

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... and now ... a “Big Surprise”

ARE

YOU

READY

???!!!

The “AGILE Forever” Mug



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... *To thank you in advance for all the encouragement and support we are sure you will all give to this endeavor!*

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